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THE U. S. SQUADRON.

No one authorized to do so has yet
volunteered any satisfactory explanation of
the determination of the Washington
administration to send our whole battleship
fleet to the Pacific ocean, says the "Detroit
News." Of course, the intimation from
administration circles that it is a mere
practice trip is received politely, as a
serious statement from so high a quarter
must be, but while an outer manner of
respectful consideration is accorded to this
announcement, the whole intelligent world
smiles in its sleeve, and still wonders what
the adventure is intended to accomplish.

Of course theories are advanced by many
ingenious minds, and one is just as good
as another in the absence of any proof that
any of them is worth powder to blow it to
Cape Horn. "The New York" Sun tells
us that it is intended to sail in two or
less straight to Tokyo and blow the
Mikado into the middle of his own
empire, or at the very least, to Vladivostok,
where the Russians will afford
it a naval base from which our admiral
may harry the coasts of Nippon. Others
tell us that it is merely a warning to
Japan, an exhibition of our biceps
so to speak to show what a knock-out
blow we could strike if only we
were sufficiently provoked. Some Euro-
peans, who do not understand or believe
the perfect good faith of our self-deny-
ing president in refusing a third term, have
the assurance to hint that the naval
demonstration is designed rather to impress
the American than the Japanese people, to
just raise goose flesh on them, so that they
will insist that Mr. Roosevelt shall sacrifice
his own wishes and consent to rule this
country for four years more, and then
some. And next, there is the theory—and
not so irrational a one either—that the
purpose of the expedition is to get our
whole strength around to the Cali-
fornia coast, and then say to the con-
gress: "Behold, our whole naval strength
is on the Pacific, and is not a bit too great
for its work there. Our Atlantic and
Gulf shores are bare of defence." We need
just as many more battleships on the
Atlantic. Hand over the money and let the
building go on." Many of us who believe
that a great fleet would be cheaper and
better than a great army for the pre-
servation of the future peace of this
country, would be very glad if such an
object lesson, involving some danger, as
it does, would compel congress to make
the appropriations needed to build the
greatest navy on the seas, ten times the
cost of which might be spent in one war
which the lack of it might occasion.

But, as we said, none of these explana-
tions have the warrant of authenticity
and authority, except those which lack the
warrant of common sense.

We shall now offer an explanation of our
own, which is as ingenious as any of them,
which is consistent with recent history and
existing facts, which accords with a foreign
policy which has been followed by our
foreign office ever since the time of John
Hay, and which our intelligent readers
may accept or reject until a better one is
offered from some other quarter, as it is
completely void of authority as any of the
others.

All our readers will recall—or rather a
few of them who remember the contents
of a daily paper more than a day—that
John Hay's management of the foreign
office was marked peculiarly by a profound
solidarity about the future of China, for
whose territorial and political integrity he
made this country more or less responsible.
To every diplomatic advance from other
governments he invariably replied that the
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HARRISON, of Shanghai, to GERTRUDE
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SATURDAY, December 14:—
6 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Cricket
Club at Club Pavilion.MONDAY, December 16:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Works of
Art, at City Hall (St. Andrew's).

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3 p.m.—Auction of Leasehold Property,
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9.15 p.m.—Concert at St. George's Hall.

SATURDAY, December 21:—
9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1907.

THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

SEVERAL highly important speeches were
delivered at the annual dinner of the
China Association held in London on
November 5. This was inevitable in
view of the striking developments whichare so rapidly taking place in the Far
East. Mr. R. S. Gundry, C.B., the Chair-
man of the Association, drew special
attention to the significance of the sud-
den revival of the reform movementwhich started ten years ago but which
seemed to have been engulfed in a wave
of reaction. The movement was now,
he said, stronger than ever and seemedendowed with a vigour which defied
supposition of failure. Mr. Gundry ex-
pressed full sympathy with the natural
aspiration of the people of China toraise the country to the level to which
her boundless possibilities justified her
in endeavouring to reach. The Associa-
tion, Mr. Gundry declared, entirelysympathised with genuine, practical re-
forms but was impatient because these
seemed to be neglected in favour of
"bureaucratic metamorphoses and officialtranspositions." A different attitude was
taken up by Mr. G. E. Morrison, "The
Times" correspondent at Peking. Thekeynote of Dr. Morrison's speech was
found in his opening remark that he
had been struck by the scepticism whichseemed to prevail as to the sincerity of
the progressive movement in China.
He frankly declared that he himself wasnot in accord with that scepticism.
While it was wise to be chary of praise
it was a fact that prejudice often led to
injustice. We held that England shouldbe for the English, Canada for the
Canadians and Australia for the Aus-
tralians but every China for the Chinesewas a manifestation of an
antiforeign and reactionary spirit which
could not be too severely reprobated.
There was, he held, much to blamein China but there was also much to
praise, and the development of the
national rather than the provincialspirit, the stimulation of military pride,
the spread of Western learning, the rise
in power of the native press, theattempted reforms in administration
were all full of hope for the future. It
was evident from the whole tone of Dr.
Morrison's speech that he is a firmbeliever in the genuineness of the re-
form movement in China and that he is
convinced that it will have some tan-
gible result. It is also evident that Dr.Morrison, like many others who have
been for years in intimate association
with the best thought of China, has a
much broader sympathy with her
national aspirations than those who onlyregard the development from the com-
mercial point of view. The promised
elevation of China to her proper position
among the Great Powers of the world

fills him with no misgiving. He only

sees in it the natural and eminently

proper result of the engraving upon an

ancient civilization, with many splendid

qualities of its own, the modern culture,

social and commercial, of the West.

When the matter is considered from the

higher standpoint it would be difficult

to prove that Dr. Morrison is wrong.
His judgment is no more infallible than
that of other men but his plea that
China should be judged as are othernations and not by an entirely different
code is unanswerable. He asks only
for a just recognition of the efforts that
China is making to improve herself evenwhen, from our point of view, these
efforts are wrongly directed. Mr. Murray
Stewart, who spoke later in the evening,
denied the inference that might bedrawn from Dr. Morrison's speech that
the Association lacked sympathy with
China's legitimate aspirations. It wasonly when it seemed to the Association
that the aspirants had strayed from the
path of true reform that the Associa-
tion took a stand which mightseem to lack sympathy. The cause of
true reform in China was also their
cause. Mr. Murray Stewart's speech was
heartily cheered, it evidently beingthought that Dr. Morrison's remarks
might be construed into a charge of want
of sympathy against the Association.We hardly suppose that Dr. Morrison
had any such intention in mind but, in
any event, his speech cannot but do
good. In fact all the speeches mademust help the people at home to a better
understanding of the position in China.
And that is a great consummation.
When understanding comes difficulty,

doubt, and danger disappear.

The award of the Nobel prize for
literature to Mr. Rudyard Kipling will,
or should, give satisfaction in everypart of the world where the British
flag flies. While some of Kipling's
work scarcely rises above the level of
the jingo ballad dear to music hallfrequenters he has written much that
will endure. Above all he has succeed-
ed in reviving the pride of the British
race in their great traditions. Brit-
ishers were, before Kipling shoneforth, displaying a tendency to yield
to the craven fear of being great.
While there is no excuse for foolish
boasting it is proper that we shouldremember that we have the greatest
Empire in the world and that the
history of civilization is largely the
history of the British race. To Kip-
ling is due the credit of reviving ourrecollection of the glorious past and
encouraging us to face what will be a
still more glorious future.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The French Mail of the 12th Novem-
ber was delivered in London on the 11th
inst.The report of the Yokohama Improve-
ment Committee has been published and recom-
mends improvements costing over Yen
400,000,000.The three-storied wooden building
erected for the Oriental Co. at Kobe was
destroyed by fire recently. Many of the
guests escaped with the bulk of theirbelongings, but others lost all.
It is reported from Sasebo, Japan,
that the battleship Mikasa, the repairs to
which were recently completed, underwenta trial trip outside that port on the 30th
ultimo. The results were most satisfactory.
The "Yokozuna" reports that twenty-
seven silver lumps, weighing from 50 to300 monme, have been picked up out of
the mud at the Bay of Kizu, near Osaka,
Japan, which is now being dredged. More
are expected to be discovered.This evening at the Union Church
Lecturer Club, Mr. J. Dyer Ball will deliver
a lecture entitled "Mountain, Plain and
Pasture-land and now," being a descriptionof the changes that have taken place in
the history of China during the last 50
years. The chair will be taken at 9 p.m.
sharp and the lecture is open to the public.

A rumour is current in Vladivostok

that the Russian Legation at Tokyo will

shortly be raised to an Embassy. M.

Bakunietoff, the present Russian Minister,

it is said, will become the first ambassador;

but will be immediately removed to another

post; and, according to what is reported,

his place will be taken by M. Shipoff, at

present staying in Japan.

On November 25, Maston Nicolls, an

American citizen, was brought before the

U. S. Consular Court at Seoul on a charge

of homicide, and honourably acquitted.

From what we can learn, says the "Korea

Daily News," it appears that the verdict

was a very proper one. A Korean broke

into the premises of the American mine

at Tameol, and the bullet which killed

him was fired by young Nicolls under

great provocation. The Korean authorities

were the prosecutors, but even their evi-

dence was favourable to the prisoner.

POLICING THE WEST RIVER.

CANTON, December 11.
A meeting of all class of Chinese will be
held here to-morrow in connection with
the question of the West River Police.

TELEGRAPH EXTENSION.

Canton-Kongmun Connected.

CANTON, December 11.
Telegraph communication has been
established between here and Kongmun,
and free messages are being allowed for
the first three days. The rate thereafter
will be 5 cents per word.

WEDDING AT ST. JOHN'S.

A quiet wedding was celebrated at St.
John's Cathedral this afternoon when Mr.
Sam Hammond, of the "Shanghai Mer-
cury," was wedded to Miss Gertrude
Wootton Brown, daughter of Mr. Robert
Brown, Editor of the "Maclefield
Courier," Cheshire.The bride arrived on the steamer Delhi
from Hongkong, and the marriage ceremony
was performed by the Rev. F. T. Johnson,
M.A., a few hours after the steamer
arrived. Mr. W. H. Donald gave the bride
away, and the best man was Mr. Lewis
Guy. Mr. and Mrs. Hammond go to Macao
for their honeymoon, and later proceed to
their future home in Shanghai.

FORMOSAN NEWS.

(From Our Correspondent.)
DAIPEI, Nov. 28.
A considerable quantity of Imperial
Bank of China notes were offered for saleat the beginning of the month to the local
agents of the Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation, and were sent to the
mainland to be verified. They proved, on
reaching the Imperial Bank of China at
Shanghai, to be forged notes, and on
telegraphic advice being received in
Daipei, the matter was placed in the
hands of the Japanese authorities.So far the matter is in abeyance and
no this is in print we shall doubtless hear
that a gang of forgers has been arrested.
Already a further large batch of notes
have been located here, and we are hourly
expecting further developments. The notesin question are exceedingly well forged,
and but for one slight error would have
readily been negotiated. Some 1000 notes
have been seized, and, as already stated,
the police have the matter in hand, and the
result of their investigations is still un-
known.LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.
Robert McLeod, a tourist, was fined
\$10 at the Magistrate for being drunk and
disorderly. He lectured the Court on the
rights of white men, as he had been
arrested by an Indian constable.All old Cliftonians, who have not done
so already, are reminded to send in their
names to Mr. P. W. Golding, if they
intend to be present at the dinner to be
held about the middle of next month.According to a Tokyo message, the
American Government has sold the
Santago, which belonged to the Squadron
which Commodore Perry brought to Japan,
on account of its age. Messrs. Thomas
Battler & Co. bought the old vessel for
\$3,210.The work of compiling the "20th
Century Impressions of Hongkong" being
undertaken by Lloyd's Greater Britain
Publishing Co. is now well in hand. Mr.
H. A. Cartwright, the Sub-editor, and the
literary staff, arrived some days ago, and
are already busily engaged in preparing the
necessary copy.Five Japanese men and 20 women
were charged with stowing away from Moji
on the s.s. Yerin Maru. The Magistrate
fined them \$160 each or go to goal for
six weeks. The women were fined \$25
each, or 14 days' imprisonment. Yuji
Okumura, for aiding and abetting, was fined
\$250, or three months' goal.The Reverend Mother Superiress and
the Sisters of the French Convent have
asked us to express their heartfelt thanks
to all those who took part in the recent
bazaar, the Hon. Mr. Osborne and the
Ferry Company, the band, and in a word
everybody who assisted to make the bazaar
a success. It is of interest to learn that
the bazaar realized \$1035.Private Brenton and Private Brennan,
of the Garrison Artillery, appeared at
the Magistrate, one being charged with
refusing to pay rishia hire, and with
behaving in a disorderly manner, and the
second with refusing to pay his rishia hire,
and assaulting Constable Wilson. The
first was fined \$2, and 25 cents compensa-
tion, while the second was ordered to pay
\$5 on the charge of assault, and to pay the
rishia coolie 50 cents compensation.A new Army ship to supplement
the Nulli Secundus is being rapidly com-
pleted at the War Office factory at
Farnborough. It will have a speed
of 30 miles an hour against a
ten-mile-an-hour wind, or 40 miles an hour
in a calm, and will remain in the air during
a rainfall, thus overcoming the difficulty
which ended the Nulli Secundus's flight
at the Crystal Palace. The new ship will
have 680 lbs. more lifting power than the
first vessel, and will carry in its envelope
10,000 cubic feet more gas. The driving
engine will have twice the power of the
Nulli Secundus.WHY SUFFER FROM RHEUM. TISM.
DO you know that rheumatic pains can
be relieved? If you doubt this, just try
one application of Chamberlain's Pain
Balm. It will give you relief from pain
and will make rest and sleep possible
For sale by all chemists and druggists.

BY TELEGRAPH.

A QUEEN IN PERIL.

Narrow Escape From
Suffocation.
(From Our Special Correspondent.)
LONDON, December 11.The correspondent of the Paris
edition of the "New York Herald" at
the Hague reports that the Dowager
Queen of Holland, Emma, has had a
narrow escape from death.Her Majesty was taking an after-
noon nap and was nearly suffocated by
the fumes of a stove.She was only saved by the timely
entrance of a servant.

RUGBY.

Oxford Beats Cambridge.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter,
via Bombay.)
LONDON, December 11.The annual rugby match between
teams representing the Universities of
Oxford and Cambridge took place
to-day.Oxford won the match, scoring 17
goals to nil.

THE NOBEL GIFTS.

Peace Prize Divided.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter,
via Bombay.)
LONDON, December 11.Mr. Rudyard Kipling has received the
prize for literature in connection with
the Nobel gifts.The prize for the best efforts to pro-
mote the peace of the world have been
divided between Mr. Ernesto Moneta
(Italy) and M. Louis Renault (France).

(REUTER'S SERVICE.)

THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

LONDON, December 10.
Rear-Admiral Hon. Sir Hedworth
Lambton, C.B., K.C.V.O., has been ap-
pointed Commander in Chief on the
China Station.[We published this news, from our
London correspondent, on Tuesday.—Ed.,
C. M.]

THE FIFTH LANCERS.

LONDON, December 10.
The decision of the Army Council
finds Major A. V. L. Wood, D.S.O., by
19 to 11, inefficient as a regimental
officer, and his retention in the service
not in the interests of the Army.The reports of his superiors are unbiassed
though abrupt, and in some instances
unnecessarily strongly worded.

RAILWAY APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, December 10.

Mr. Steel, of the Caledonian Railway
Company, has been appointed Assistant
Traffic Manager of the Imperial Rail-
ways in China.

THE P. AND O. MEETING.

LONDON, December 10.

At the meeting of the Peninsular
and Oriental Steam Navigation Com-
pany, Sir Thomas Sutherland said that
the whole of the Company's intercolonial
trade between Bombay and Japan had,
for the present, been wiped out by
Japanese competitors. He imagined
that the Japanese companies were being
forced by the Government to increase
their sailings from Bombay, and was of
the opinion that the present increase in
competition was hardly fair in view of
the fact that during the war the P. and
O. Company carried the whole of that
trade for the benefit of Japanese manu-<

BY TELEGRAPH.

MINERAL CONCESSION
CANCELLED.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PERKING, December 11.

The mineral concessions granted to Great Britain (?) having expired, the Waiwupa has notified the party concerned that the same have been cancelled.

THE KWANGSI RIOT.

Lost Fort Re-captured.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PERKING, December 11.

The Governor of Kwangsi has reported to the Throne that an engagement between the troops under the command of Luk Wing Ting and the rioters took place on the 8th instant, and fearful conflicts ensued which lasted for two days. On the night of the 8th the Chun Namkwan Fort was re-captured.

PRINCE SU.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PERKING, December 11.

Prince Su goes to Mongolia, and the post of presidency rendered vacant at the Board of Municipality is to be filled by Yuk Long.

CANTON-HANKOW
RAILWAY.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PERKING, December 11.

Since the taking over of affairs by Sir Chen Tung Liang (Ching as President of the Canton Hankow Railway, a Hongkong merchant (Chen Kang Yu) has again written to the Board of Posts and Communications opposing the appointment, but his protests have been disregarded.

CHINA'S CONSTITUTION.

Straits Chinese Opinion.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PERKING, December 11.

Yang Shi Shewang, the Imperial Chinese Commissioner who is in the Straits Settlements with a view to promoting Chinese foreign trade, has wired to the Peking Government from the South to the effect that the Chinese merchants there have expressed the opinion that they are very much in doubt as to the future constitutional government of China, which makes it very risky to invest any money in the Home country.

THE YUAN-KWEI
VICEROYSHIP.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PERKING, December 11.

Siak Chang having been impeached for inability was dismissed from his post as Viceroy of the Yuan-Kwei Provinces, and Tit Liang, the Minister of War, has been appointed in his stead.

FIRE AT SANWUI.

Fifty Houses Destroyed.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

KONKON, Dec. 11.

A great conflagration has occurred at Sanwui City. Fifty houses have been destroyed. No loss of life is reported. The amount involved is estimated at one hundred thousand taels, which is partly covered by insurance with native Insurance Companies.

CEASE YOUR WORRY.

If your child is threatened with croup give it Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and all danger will be avoided. It contains nothing in any way injurious and is pleasant to take. Sold by all chemists and storekeepers.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A MATTER OF TASTE.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—Would you allow me the publicity of your columns to appeal to the artistic sense of the managers of certain stores in the City against the disfigurement of the walls and banks at the Peak, which is now being done by large posters advertising their goods—Yours, etc.

A PEAK RESIDENT.

THE POLICING OF THE WEST
RIVER.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—In view of the tumult of feeling and the avalanche of language which, apparently, are overflowing the whole of the South of China and as far north as the Yangtze, for the "North China Herald" has a leader on the question—at the presence of British torpedo destroyers in the inland waters of Kwangtung, it may be of interest—it certainly is of interest to me—to view the whole uproar from the point of view of a disinterested spectator, who sits in his study, smokes his pipe, and wonders what it is all about.

Firstly, it may be assumed that some very substantial advantage is expected, otherwise an outside and friendly Power would not attempt an invasion of Chinese inland waters, which naturally is repugnant to the feelings of the patriotic natives. Even when suspicions are allayed and objections overridden there must remain a sediment of unreasonableness and resentment, at what has taken place. People do not view with indifference the appearance of police in their own house, when the latter are in quest of thieves, specially when it is assumed that the latter are members of the household. It is not natural that the Chinese should welcome the presence of British ships when they are searching for pirates, though the masses of natives in the near vicinity may not show any hostile feeling.

Reports announce that Societies are being formed to resist this invasion, and have pledged themselves and have sworn an oath to oppose with their life this foreign interference. It need not be anticipated that anything serious will follow the registering of these oaths. Prisoners may swear a good deal, but swearing will not loosen the rivets of fetters, whatever singing and prayers may have done. The Chinese are, to a considerable extent, prisoners under the heel of the hated Manchurians and no amount of swearing will free them from this bondage. This swearing, however, is a fairly safe index to the state of feeling of the Chinese as well as people and it may happen that those who are swearing to day, will do something else to-morrow. It is certainly true that in the past, scented feelings have moved masses of men to do things that have proved unfortunate and regrettable to all parties concerned. But what went wrong to the ships to do I understand that it is to "make a demonstration." It is difficult to see what good a "demonstration" can do. It is true that the villagers and the farmers by the side of the waters will stop their work and stare at the destroyers as they rush along, and will congregate upon the banks when the flotilla anchors. But what can be hoped from such a "demonstration"? The pirates are not, as a rule, found among these people. Many of them would not be glad to see these soundless arrested and executed. But will the pirates see the "demonstration"? Probably there will be some of them among the villagers, but they will be disguised and will appear very demure.

But the destroyers are in search of pirates, and have, I understand, the right to search all ships that carry the British flag or which hoist no flag at all. All others must be left untroubled. It seems to follow from this that, as all other ships will fly flags of some nationality, only British, or so-called British launches, can be interfered with. As all the launches know what this rule is, the captains will see to it that everything is in order. Only the weapons allowed will be carried, and every other suspicious circumstance will be removed. No evidence will be discoverable that would warrant the arrest of a single launch.

But is it hoped that some pirates will be caught red handed? Hardly. If this commotion could be hoped for, there would be something like success possible. But this is likely to be a vain hope. The cougar is said to be so wily that it is almost impossible to entrap it. It can only be destroyed by being tracked to its lair by dogs trained for this purpose, which are under the control of special hunters, who have given their lives to this exciting task. It will be so with these Chinese pirates. They are not likely to show their noses whilst British torpedo destroyers are about the waters. They know a course worth two of that. They will remove for the time their hands from this part of the Kwangtung waters, and find a resting place in a more secure if less exciting spot.

It is well known that Chinese soldiers cannot catch robbers when they are sent forth to "clean out the country." The robbers arrange that they themselves do the work, by moving en masse into another district, where the soldiers are not, and where they will remain unmolested. It is perfectly certain that such will be the purpose of the pirates, and nothing will be seen or heard of them whilst the British fleet is within-hall. It may be safely assumed however that this will be about the only practical result of what has been done. Whilst the flotilla is on the waters of the river, there will be immunity from pirates, but when the ships are withdrawn then they will begin again, with all the more eagerness because of the probable booty that will be within their reach. Such seems to me to be the aspect of

affairs. I wonder if it is worth while to create such a storm of feeling to accomplish so little, when there seems to be so slender a hope of accomplishing anything more—Yours, etc.

PUZZLED.

THE OVERSEAS LEAGUE.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—The need of an organization to foster British trade abroad, and to protect the interests of British communities overseas, has long been experienced. Having no Parliamentary Representative, Britons, on leaving England, have practically no means of making their voice heard, and too often find their needs neglected. The Overseas League will help them by ventilating, and obtaining redress for, legitimate grievances, as occasion arises.

The offices of the Overseas League are at Canton Hall, Westminster, London, S.W. The Overseas League proposes to further the interests of British subjects resident in foreign countries, and to promote British trade. The League will also make known the wants of British colonists overseas; and in general will seek to foster the welfare of the Empire.

The Overseas League will use every constitutional means to achieve these objects, and invites the support of persons of all shades of political opinion. Trusting that your readers will co-operate in the accomplishment of these aims, since it is only by advancing British trade that we can hope to retain our proud place among the nations of the world.—Yours etc.

A. G. Wise,
Secretary,
The Overseas League.Canton Hall,
Westminster,
London, S.W., England.
November 9, 1907.THE POLLARD'S LIL-
LIPUTIANS.

How the Children are Treated.

The genesis, modes of recruiting, training, and domestic economy, as it may be called, of so unique a theatrical combination as the Pollard's Lilliputian Opera Company are sufficiently interesting in themselves to claim the attention of the general reader, whether theoretiac or not. There is not another such organisation in the world. In the first place, it is old enough to have its history; secondly, it has descended from father and originator to sons, who are present owners. In the third place, it is always distinctively juvenile in constitution; and, while the little people of an elder day have developed into mature general actors, there are thousands of men and women in Australia to-day who look back to evenings with the Pollard's companies as the most enjoyable play days of their lives. The choosing of fresh recruits is a matter of much moment. They come from all parts of the world, some of humble, many of high, and some of the most distinguished families. The standing of the company in Australia is now such that parents bring their children to the school of the management in Melbourne to be tested. The first thing is the testing of the voice, the musical, the dramatic, the physical, and the mental. Then there is a recitation, and some call thrice to show the vigour of the body—a qualification as essential as that of mental activity. Out of every hundred tried, seldom more than a dozen pass the first examination, and that number is usually reduced to one or two after two weeks' training. Once the children have been selected, a transaction ensues which is purely formal. This is the signing of an agreement with the parents by which the company agrees to take, clothe, educate, and provide for the child in every way. Then the Government of Victoria steps in and requires a bond. Under the laws of the southern State, no adult person can live upon the earnings of children, and so the salaries of the juveniles are lodged monthly in the Government Savings Bank in Melbourne in trust for them until they come of age. In taking away the money, the State, many children of tender age, a possible danger to the State was recognised, and so provision was stipulated for that, wherever the company goes, they shall be accompanied by a competent preceptor (supplied by Government), one of whose duties is to visit the institutions daily, at which time it is to be taught to the youngsters. So carefully and anxiously is this done that the remedy of force is never needed to make the little people study their lessons. They want to learn, and they largely realise that the only road to learning is through the study of their lessons. They have a little time is devoted to geographical lessons. They are constantly acquiring that branch of knowledge on their feet—board ocean liners and railroad cars.

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SPORTING.

Bowling.

The first half of the Hongkong Club v. Club Germania match was decided last night, when the latter Club established a lead of 78 pins—by no means a big advantage out of a total of over 5,000 odd, so it will come as no surprise if the Englishmen reverse the deficit this evening.

Turning to individual efforts, the two outstanding men are A. Rombach, who made 704 on the English alleys, and J. W. C. Bonner, whose 608 on the German alleys was a most consistent roll. Others to do well were P. K. Wolff and J. P. Leahy on the English alleys, and O. Meyer and B. D. Kaptyn on the German alleys. The disappointments were undoubtedly E. H. Hinds and E. C. Lane on the English alleys, and T. C. Gray and J. H. Kemp on the German alleys. Still, the game is only just half over, so there is just as much chance for the leaders "coming a cropper" as there is of the lower scores "pulling themselves together." Full scores, etc., will appear to-morrow.

Scores to date:
HONGKONG CLUB.
At H.K. Club: 1 2 3 4
E. H. Hinds ... 191 157 139 131—618
P. K. Wolff ... 202 182 124 176—684
E. C. Lane ... 104 155 132 117—548
J. P. Leahy ... 227 168 110 156—655
614 610 311 580 2515

At Club Germania:
J. W. C. Bonner 183 176 183 157—699
H. Humphreys ... 218 141 128 120—607
T. C. Gray ... 131 116 200 151—607
J. H. Kemp ... 114 123 161 153—551
646 554 602 581 2443

At H.K. Club:
A. Rombach ... 193 191 126 194—704
F. Bunn ... 164 131 130 185—610
A. Ricken ... 152 143 132 142—569
A. Ohme ... 182 114 154 152—602
601 579 542 673 2485

At Club Germania:
O. Meyer ... 193 201 154 162—710
K. Volbrunn ... 120 182 175 125—602
T. v. d. Voort ... 125 160 152 147—584
B. D. Kaptyn ... 115 188 181 173—655
553 729 682 607 2551

Football at Canton.

CANTON, Dec. 11.
The Customs football team played the team from the H. M. S. Cadmus on the Shamshun recreation ground at 4.30 p.m. Yesterday afternoon before a large crowd assembled to witness the match. Both teams played a splendid game during the first half, no goals scored on either side. During the second half the Customs goal was bombarded from time to time and was well defended by their goal-keeper, but in a scrimmage in front of their goal mouth, the Cadmus scored first goal. It looked as if the score would stand at that, when another went through just as the whistle blew for full time. Score 2 goals to nil in favour of Cadmus.

JAPANESE STATE
MONOPOLIES.

Insurance Business in Danger.

The "Shogyo Shimpo" publishes a note which suggests that the Government is thinking of making the business of insurance a State monopoly. The motive of this step would be, not to enrich the Treasury, but to place this important business on a really secure basis. The Japanese who do not hesitate to apply the "Japan Mail," that several years ago the Government undertook investigations by way of preliminary to some such programme, but abandoned them finally in view of the fact that the idea of insuring life and property had not yet obtained wide vogue among the people. Recently, however, have shown that not only in the great cities but also in provincial districts the value of insurance has come to be recognised, and have shown also—that this business is much more important—that this business, so vital to industrial and commercial expansion, as well as to the welfare of the individual is in danger of being seriously prejudiced by the intrusion of dishonest practices. Petty insurance companies have been started in various parts of the country, with capital quite inadequate to the business undertaken by them and with directors who do not hesitate to apply the "Japan Mail," that several years ago the Government undertook investigations by way of preliminary to some such programme, but abandoned them finally in view of the fact that the idea of insuring life and property had not yet obtained wide vogue among the people. Recently, however, have shown that not only in the great cities but also in provincial districts the value of insurance has come to be recognised, and have shown also—that this business is much more important—that this business, so vital to industrial and commercial expansion, as well as to the welfare of the individual is in danger of being seriously prejudiced by the intrusion of dishonest practices. 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FOOLING THIEVES.

The Cullinan Diamond.

An amusing story comes from a news agency as to the method in which the Cullinan diamond, which was presented as a birthday gift from the Transvaal to the King, was despatched to England. It was felt that there was a certain amount of danger in the railroad journey from Johannesburg to Cape Town. Two stalwart railway detectives, an hour or two before the home mail started from the gold reef city, were ordered to travel with it on special duty. They were notified to be well armed, and at the last moment they were handed a small satchel package, which they were ordered not to lose sight of until they deposited it in the strong room of the Union-Castle liner. Learning that it was the great diamond, the two men had an anxious journey. Some months later the Postmaster-General's report, that the diamond had really gone in the mail as an ordinary registered package. The detectives' mission was simply an elaborate piece of deception.

To-day's Advertisements

HONGKONG GUN CLUB.

THE ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOOTING will take place on SATURDAY, 14th, at 4 p.m. There will also be a Ladies' Nomination Cup. Members will be at home to their friends.

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NOTICE

FOR KUPAT AND SANDAKAN,
Taking Cargo at Through Rates to
TAWAU, LAHAT DATU, LARUAN,
JOLLA, & MENADO

THE Steamship

Captain F. SEMMEL, ready to load on
MONDAY, the 16th inst., will leave on
TUESDAY, the 17th inst., at 9 a.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
NORDDUTSCHER LOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 12, 1907. 1905

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI-

GATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, SUEZ,
ADEN, COLOMBO, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship Nippon
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo
are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed at their risks, into the haz-
ardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves
and Godown Company, Ltd., whence delivery
may be obtained.

This vessel brings on cargo:-
From Venice ex s.s. *Espero*, transhipped
at Trieste.
Optional Cargo will be discharged here,
unless notice to the contrary be given im-
mediately.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Claims must be sent to the Office of the
Undersigned before Noon, on the 18th
December, 1907, or they will not be re-
cognized.
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and
any Goods coming in the Godowns after
the 18th December, 1907, will be subject to
rent.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 12, 1907. 1909

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S

STEAMER DELHI.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are hereby informed that
their Goods are being landed and placed
at their risk in the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharves and Godown Company's
Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment
will be sorted out Mark by Mark and
delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.
This vessel brings on Cargo:-
From London, ex s.s. *Mongolia*.
From Calcutta, ex s.s. *Scindia*.
From Panaji, ex s.s. *B. I. S. N.* and
B. and P. S. N. Co.'s steamers.
Optional goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary
before 8 hours.
Goods not cleared by the 18th December,
at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me
in any case whatever.
Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signee and the Company's representative
at an appointed hour. All Claims must be
presented within ten days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they cannot
be recognized. No Claims will be ad-
mitted after the Goods have left the
Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 12, 1907. 1908

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NOTICE.

IT is proposed to hold an OLD CLIF-
TONIAN DINNER about the middle
of JANUARY next.

All Old Cliftonians desirous of attending
are requested to send in their names to the
Undersigned as soon as possible.

PHILIP W. GOLDRING,
10, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, December 12, 1907. 1907

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-
tions to Sell by Public Auction,
on

SATURDAY,
the 14th December, 1907, at his Sales
Rooms, DUNDRELL STREET,—

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
MECHANICAL TOYS & DOLLS, ETC.

Terms:—As Customary.
GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 12, 1907. 1908

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 11.

Teimon, British str., 1,460 G. Lindbergh,
Kobe Dec. 11, General.—BUTTERFIELD &
SWIRE

Holstein, German str., 955, A. Niejahr,
Saratow Dec. 10, Baltast.—JENSEN &
CO.

Kinging, British str., 1,223, Leask,
Shanghai December 8, General.—JARDINE,
MATHESON & CO.

Nippon, Austrian steamer, 4,017, E.
Tarabochia, Trieste and Singapore Dec. 3,
General.—SANDER, WIELER & CO.

Wahamatu Maru, Japanese str., 1,722,
N. Goto, M. J. D. December 6, Coal.—MITSU
BISHI GOSHI KAWASIMA.

Yerimo Maru, Japanese str., 2,350, N.
Kobayashi, M. J. Dec. 5, Coal.—O. S. N. K.

Emmerich, British steamer, 4,517, John
Wise man, Chingwa via Cebu Dec. 7
General.—LIVERPOOL & CO.

December 12.

Hongkong, French str., 742, A. Corne-
lissen, H. J. Dec. 11, General.—A. R.
Macy.

Delhi, British str., 4,784, J. D. Andrews,
R.N.R., Bombay and Singapore Dec. 7,
Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Malta, British steamer, 3,790, R. A.
Peters, Shanghai Dec. 10, Mails and Gen-
eral.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Sado Maru, Japanese str., 3,860, Gao,
Anderson, London and Singapore Dec. 6,
General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Yebashi Maru, Japanese steamer, 4,097,
B. K. K. Japan December 6, General.—
N. Y. K.

Mitsunoy, British str., 1,044, R. Hough-
ton, Sandakan Dec. 12, Timber and Gen-
eral.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

Koh-si-chang, German steamer, 1,292, C.
Rostovsky, Bangkok and Thaurane Dec. 7,
General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

Nida, German cruiser, 2,650, Lange-
mak, from Peking and Swatow Dec. 11.

Nautica, Japanese cruiser, 3,700, H.
Rubio, (additional C. Tamar on board),
from Amoy.

Fiji Japanese gun boat, 680, H. Furu-
kawa, Shanghai Dec. 8.

DEPARTURES.

December 12.

Dagun, for Haiphong.

Wenchow, for Amoy.

Kunming, for Singapore.

Lanzhou, for Singapore and Bombay.

Nord, for Haiphong.

anyway, for Swatow.

Canton, for Saig and Copenhagen.

Kongtong, for Swatow.

CLEARED.

Yebashi Maru, for Singapore and Bombay.

Ningpo, for Canton.

Koching, for Tsingtau.

Seuchen, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Courtfield, from Chetov, &c., Dr. J.
Hunt, Dr. Edin, and Mr. D. Forbes.

Per Delhi, for Hongkong from London,
Mr. T. Ward, Mrs. Giersey, Miss Parlin,
Mr. T. C. Snowden, Mr. and Mrs. Welch,
Mrs. Mitchell, from Marseilles, Messrs O.
Robinson and J. Gresson; from Brindisi,
Mr. Iquiere; from Bombay, Mr. K. Ida,
Mrs. Randolph, Mr. D. K. Setnam,
Mr. Chai and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ten and
child, Mr. B. M. Salha; from Penang, Miss
Surgeon and Mrs. Williams and son, Mr.
Bool, and Mr. Terfermann; from Singapore,
Mr. R. A. Gubbay.

Per Sado Maru, from London &c.: for
Hongkong, Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Wales,
Mrs. McDonnell, Mrs. Messrs A. Gibson,
P. Abul, C. O. H. P. M. M. M. W. C.
Wilder, Major T. Hine, Mrs. G. H. H. H.
and children, Mr. F. G. Gill, Mr. and Mrs.
A. Moss, Messrs H. G. Taylor, A. F. Low-
ler; for Shanghai, Mrs. T. Fookan
and three children, Mrs. E. Moss and child,
and Miss O. Moss; for Kobe, Mrs. Wood
and child, Messrs A. B. B. and W. B.
Moorbeck; for Yokohama, Right Rev.
Bishop and Mrs. Audrey, Miss E. Ross, Miss
Moberley, and Mrs. S. Smith and three
children, Messrs H. Bossett and D. Young.
Per Malta, for Hongkong: from Yoko-
hama, Mr. G. E. Hewitt, Mr. H. Stevenson,
Mr. Abul, and James J. from Shanghai, Mr.
and Mrs. G. O. Peters, Major K. B. Barnett,
and Mr. W. S. Brown.

KING EDWARD HOTEL.

Col. and Mrs. Aiken Mr. J. Marshall
Major Annanley Mr. R. A. McLeod
Major Bramley Mr. and Mrs. Moulder
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mrs. C. A. Mutton
"Cocker"
Mr. and Mrs. G. H. and child
Mrs. D. M. Nicholson
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Capt. & Mrs. Oster-
Mr. T. D. Delaney Grigs and family
Mr. P. Dow Mr. J. E. Parks
Mr. H. Faure Mr. N. O. Passmore
Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Miss Annie Peacock
Gause and family Dr. and Mrs. A. Pond
Mr. and Mrs. Harman Mr. E. Pond
and family Mr. K. Seyd
Mr. and Mrs. Harman Mr. and Mrs. S. Silver
Mr. Heriot stone
Mrs. C. M. Jack Mr. M. L. Silverstone
Mr. and Mrs. F. J. V. stone
George Mr. M. S. Silverstone
Mr. J. E. Joseph Mr. A. G. Smith
Mr. E. A. Katch Mr. H. G. Smith
Mr. C. Kaufmann Mrs. A. Souza
Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Miss Square
Land Mr. D. V. Stevenson
Mr. G. T. Lloyd Mr. C. M. & Mrs. E.
Mr. and Mrs. A. Lord Mr. E. B. Sullivan
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mr. A. W. Walt-
Mr. and Mrs. Low

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

EXCLUSIVE OF LATE ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES REPORTED TO-DAY.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from
Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore, K., and those in the body of the Shipping
of midway between each shore are marked E., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section 1.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.

2. From Gas Works to the Harbour Office.

3. From the Harbour Office to the Market.

4. From the Market to Peddar's Wharf.

5. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

Section 7.

7. From Naval Yard to Blue Building.

8. From Blue Building to East Point.

9. From Kelle's Island to North Point.

10. Kowloon Wharves.

11. Jardine's Wharf.

VESSEL'S NAME.	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND REG.	TONS NETT.	DATE OF ARRIVAL.	CONSIGNEES OR AGENTS.	DESTINATION.	REMARKS.
Steamers.							
Anchin	3	Stewart	British str.	2031	Dec. 9	Butterfield & Swire	
Ararat	3	Gaukrage	British str.	2036	Dec. 10	David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	Shanghai & Japan Dec. 13.
Asin	3	Semhill	Jer. str.	1344	Dec. 10	6 Melchers & Co.	Shanghai & Japan Dec. 17.
Boruen	3	Nordell	Swed. str.	2180	Dec. 11	6 Melchers & Co.	
Canton	3	Robertson	British str.	1228	Dec. 9	Butterfield & Swire	
Chinkiang	3	Mooney	British str.	1159	Dec. 9	9 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Chinghai	3	Walker	British str.	5685	Nov. 19	12 Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	
Coquet	3	Wiseman	British str.	4517	Dec. 11	11 Gibbs, Livingston & Co.	
Courtfield	3	Andrews	British str.	4748	Dec. 12	12 P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Delhi	3	Torrible	British str.	3006	Nov. 30	Butterfield & Swire	
Diomed	3	Borring	British str.	1102	Dec. 9	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	
Drutar	3	Archibald	British str.	3938	Nov. 10	P. R. Co.	
Empress of China	3	Rafferty	British str.	2274	Dec. 11	11 S. S. Co.	
Olenak	3	Wilde	British str.	1247	Dec. 10	10 Douglas Steamship Co.	
Haiching	3	Wilde	British str.	1354	Dec. 9	9 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Hongkong	3	Trowbridge	British str.	1204	Dec. 4	Butterfield & Swire	
Hwangyang	3	Smith	British str.	1537	Dec. 11	11 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Holstein	3	Niejahr	Ger. str.	955	Dec. 11	11 Jensen & Co.	
Kinging	3	Corneilissen	French str.	377	Dec. 11	11 R. Marty	
Joshin Maru	3	Smith	Japanese str.	1024	Dec. 10	10 S. S. Co.	
Kailong	3	Pickard	British str.	1143	Dec. 9	9 Butterfield & Swire	
Kashing	3	Leask	British str.	1223	Dec. 11	11 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Kinging	3	Ward	British str.	1228	Dec. 9	9 Butterfield & Swire	
Kiukiang	3	Stott	British str.	1407	Dec. 10	10 M. S. N. Co.	
Kwanong	3	Lu	British str.	1072	Dec. 10	10 Butterfield & Swire	
Kwailin	3	Hardy	British str.	1340	Dec. 9	9 Butterfield & Swire	
Laogor	3	Jackson	British str.	2968	Dec. 4	4 Odwell & Co., Limited.	
Madag	3	Halley	British str.	1881	Dec. 12	12 Odwell & Co., Ltd.	
Malta	3	Peters	British str.	3799	Dec. 12	12 P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Manung	3	Houghton	Brit. str.	1643	Dec. 12	12 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Meredes	3	Gregory	British str.	300	Sept. 21	Admiralty	
Nippon	3	Tarabochia	Aus. str.	4017	Dec. 11	11 S. S. Co.	
Onang	3	Cox	British str.	1018	Dec. 9	9 Butterfield & Swire	
Pasani	3	Hagner	Jer. str.	1086	Dec. 10	10 Melchers & Co.	
Pochabur	3	Wolf	Jer. str.	1189	Dec. 8	8 Butterfield & Swire	
Sado Maru	3	Anderson	Japan. str.	3860	Dec. 12	12 Nippon Yusen Kaisha	
Sanson	3	Schmetz	Jer. str.	988	Dec. 8	8 Butterfield & Swire	
Sicilia	3	Watkins	B. str.	6886	Dec. 10	10 P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Solhat	3	Thorsen	British str.	870	Nov. 29	29 Agard, Thorsen & Co.	
Taiwan	3	Thorsen	British str.	1042	Nov. 28	28 Chinese	
Tsai	3	Day	British str.	5720	Dec. 11	11 Butterfield & Swire	
Teimon	3	Lindbergh	British str.	1660	Dec. 11	11 Butterfield & Swire	
Victoria	3	Hilbert	Swed. str.	988	Dec. 4	4 Agard, Thorsen & Co.	
Waishing	3	Schmetz	British str.	217	Dec. 7	7 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Wakamatu Maru	3	Japan	Japan. str.	1722	Dec. 11	11 Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	
Woolwich	3	Stoker	British str.	1228	Dec. 9	9 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Yamasa	3	Stoker	British str.	1228	Dec. 9	9 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Zaito	3	Fraser	British str.	1611	Dec. 9	9 Shaw, Tomes & Co.	
Sailing Vessels.							
Lawhill	2	Jarvis	B. 4-m. bk.	1850	Oct. 10	Standard Oil Co.	

STAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL

(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTERS.)

Namur, Santha, Nov. 5; Kenebe;

Colombo Maru, 8; Aragonia, Hrofu

Maru, 12; Stam, Maru, 15;

Lennaz, Moynay, Greenhall, Ganges, 19;

Bel'ephon, Sunda, Caravans, 19;

Chillon, 22; Australia, Zennah, 19;

Leitch, C. Ford, Latte, Habsburg,

Indrawadi, Antichia, Adyanza, 26;

Libria, Salazie, Belgavia, St. Patrick,

Bingo Maru, Priam, Sophie, Richman,

29; Austria, Claverburn, Ohingoo,

Spezia, December 3; Anchisa, Banca,

Henduch, Calaba, Zennah, 19;

Monus, Palosun, Suetia, Zieten, 10.

Mails.

The Imp. German Mail s.s. *Prinz Eitel*

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Shanghai with dates from Berlin of the 18th

November, left Colombo on Friday,

the 8th Dec., and may be expected

here on or about Tuesday, the 17th

Dec., p.m.

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